



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of : **Confirmation No. 4176**  
Norio KIMURA et al. : Docket No. 2003\_1332  
Serial No. 10/664,156 : Group Art Unit 3723  
Filed September 17, 2003 : Examiner Alvin J. Grant  
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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

Sir:

Pursuant to the requirement contained in the Office Action mailed September 9, 2005, Applicants hereby elect Species A, claims 16-19 and 24-27, drawn to jet nozzles at different heights.

In view of this election, a full examination on the merits of the present application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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